



1. Zero to Three---Military Family Projects

www.zerothree.com

ZERO TO THREE is a national, nonprofit organization that informs, trains, and supports professionals, policymakers, and parents in their efforts to improve the lives of infants and toddlers. *Zero to Three* offers support to military families through their “Coming Together Around Military Families” project. *Zero to Three* works to increase the awareness and the collaboration throughout the military community so that parents and professionals can more effectively care for very young children and their families.

(search “*military family projects*”)

2. United Through Reading

www.unitedthroughreading.org

United Through Reading is the nation’s first nonprofit to promote the read-aloud experience for separated military families. United Through Reading offers deployed parents the opportunity to be video-recorded reading storybooks to their children which eases the stress of separation, maintains positive emotional connections and cultivates a love of reading. At nearly 200 recording locations worldwide, Marines, Soldiers and Sailors, National Guard, Reservists and Airmen, can read to their children from units on ships, in tents in Afghanistan, on bases and installations around the world and at 70 USO centers worldwide. Over one and a half million military parents, spouses and children have benefited from the program since its inception.

3. Our Military Kids

www.ourmilitarykids.org

Our Military Kids provides tangible support to the children of deployed and severely injured National Guard and Military Reserve personnel through grants for sports, fine arts and tutoring that nurture and sustain the children during the time a parent is away in service to our country.



4. Military Child Care

www.military.com

Operation Military Child Care (OMCC) is a Department of Defense initiative to support the temporary child care needs of Military Parents who are **activated/deployed** support of the Global War on Terrorism. This program is in partnership with the National Association of Child Care Resource & Referral Agencies and the Child Care Resource and Referral Network.

5. Military One Source

1-800-342-9647 or www.militaryonesource.com

Education, relocation, parenting, stress - you name it - Military OneSource provides help to you for just about any need. Available by phone or online, Military One Source's free service is provided by the Department of Defense for active-duty, Guard, and Reserve service members and their families. The service is completely private and confidential, with few exceptions.

6. The Yellow Ribbon Reintegration Program

www.yellowribbon.mil

The Yellow Ribbon Reintegration Program (YRRP) is a DoD-wide effort to promote the well-being of National Guard and Reserve members, their families and communities, by connecting them with resources throughout the deployment cycle. Through YRRP events, Service members and loved ones connect with local resources before, during, and after deployments. Reintegration during post-deployment is a critical time for members of the Guard and Reserve, as they often live far from military installations and members of their units.

7. Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission (MIC3)

www.mic3.net

The goal of the compact is to replace the widely varying policies affecting transitioning military students. The compact leverages consistency: It uses a comprehensive approach that provides a consistent policy in every school district and in every state that chooses to join.

The compact addresses key educational transition issues encountered by military families including enrollment, placement, attendance, eligibility and graduation. Children of active duty members of the uniformed services, National Guard and Reserve on active duty orders, and members or veterans who are medically discharged or retired for one year are eligible for assistance under the compact.

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